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Prior Application: H. SAWAGUCHI

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For: DATA RECORDING/READBACK METHOD AND

DATA RECORDING/READBACK DEVICE FOR THE SAME

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Sir:

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The Applicant requests the Examiner to initial and return a copy of the attached PTO-1449 form as an indication that the references have been considered.

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